

135,000 ARMY PLAN PASSES COMMITTEE

War College Proposal for 220,000 Beaten by 16 to 6 Vote.

PRESIDENT IN CONTROL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Testimony taken yesterday by the House Committee on Military Affairs on the army features of President Wilson's national defense program shows unmistakably that the Administration is in complete control of that organization.

Vote on Draft This Week

The second draft of the army bill was completed today and a vote will be taken Wednesday. Arrangements will be concluded also to take up the bill for debate, which will be begun about March 10.

Although the continental army plan is going to be passed, the committee is concerned, no members of the committee have yet asked for a vote on the draft plan.

1,000 Military Instructors

The committee also recommended the provision heretofore adopted relative to the detail of signal officers as instructors in military schools.

CHANGING CLIMATE IS BEST.

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Mid South Not Good for Consumptives, Says Medical Editor.

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STRANGER IN THE BREAD LINE.

Old Woman's Diffidence Succumbs to Tom Merry's Kind Words. An old woman hesitated in front of the free bread depot in Prince Street yesterday.

Urges Preparedness.

As a result of what has occurred in this war do you believe in national preparedness? "We in Australia have always believed in preparedness."

GALLIPOLI FAILURE ONLY FIRED AUSTRALIA'S HEART

Labor Premier Hughes Proudly Tells of Spartan Valor of Nation's Soldiers—300,000 Under Arms by Spring—War Has Welded Empire.

Australian Valor

OTTAWA, Feb. 26.—"When the history of the war comes to be written with clearness and authority I think I can say without boasting that the part played by the Australian nation and by Australian soldiers will contribute a glorious chapter."

What Australia Has Done.

"We have done all we can," he said, "and we are going to do even more as time goes on. At the present time Australia has 140,000 men at the front. She has 245,000 men under arms, and by spring she will have enlisted 300,000 men."

Attitude of United States.

"How do the people of Australia regard the war attitude of the United States?" "It is not the task of Australians to lecture the people of the great American republic on how they should conduct themselves in this war."

War's Effect on Empire.

"What effect, Mr. Hughes, do you think the war will have on the British Empire?" "It already has had the effect of making us forget many things that were trivial."

Urges Compulsory Training.

"Australia has been able to do what she has because of the cooperation of her democratic edifice and her system of compulsory military training."

WHITMAN PLEADS FOR STATE MILITIA

Urges Compulsory Training of Youth at Buffalo Mass Meeting.

HITS VOLUNTEER SYSTEM

BUFFALO, Feb. 26.—In a speech at a mass meeting in the Broadway Auditorium here to-night, which marked the climax of the week's preparedness campaign for recruits to the Sixty-fifth and Seventy-fourth regiments, National Guard, Gov. Whitman made an appeal for compulsory military training of boys and youths modeled after the Australian system.

WESTCHESTER NOTES.

More than \$10,000 has been raised by popular subscription in Mount Vernon for the purpose of establishing a new Y. M. C. A. in that city.

STATEN ISLAND NOTES.

The Flag Day Association brought its membership up to 1,130 last week. The celebration plans for June is being started.

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UNITED WOMEN BACK DEFENCE.

Permanent Organization Will Be Formed at Biltmore. A permanent organization of the Woman's National Committee of the American Defence Society will be effected at a meeting to be held at the Hotel Biltmore next Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

DEFENCE ENTHUSIASM SPREADS AT PRINCETON

Half of Undergraduate Body. It is Predicted, Will Go to Training Camp. PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 26.—Enthusiasm for adequate national preparedness at Princeton, which has hitherto been confined to President Hibben and a few other members of the faculty, has been extended to almost every member of the student body as a result of the work of Capt. Gordon Johnston, U. S. A.

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being a Princeton graduate, class of '96, has been detailed to explain the various preparedness programmes to the students. He is quartered in a house near the campus and various students interested in the subject have arranged for interviews with him.

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